GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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LOK SABHA

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SUPPORT PRICE OF MILLET
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to increase support price of millet;

(b) if not, the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government have issued any direction to Food Corporation of India (FCI) regarding support price of millet for its procurement direct from farmers; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI KANTI LAL BHURIA)

(a)&(b): The Government have fixed the Minimum Support Price of Bajra and Jowar for 2005-06 at a higher level of Rs.525 per quintal each compared with Rs.515 per quintal each in 2004-05.

(c)&(d): Procurement of coarsegrains from farmers under price support operations is presently being entirely undertaken by the State Governments and their Agencies.